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June 22, 2016

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor, State of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Brown:

We are writing to express our support for AB 2153 (Garcia), which would establish the Lead-Acid Battery Recycling Act of 2016 that would create a State mandated lead-acid (car) battery fee to serve as a funding mechanism for the cleanup of areas contaminated by such batteries. Funding from the fee would be used to cleanup areas of the State that have been contaminated by the production and recycling of lead-acid batteries, such as the communities surrounding the Exide and Quemetco facilities.

According to the United States Geological Survey, the lead-acid battery industry accounted for approximately 90 percent of the nation's reported lead consumption during 2015. There has been long-standing evidence of the negative effects of lead poisoning, particularly on pregnant women and young children, as lead poisoning impacts their growth, learning, behavior, and overall health. Lead has been listed under California's Proposition 65 since 1987 as a substance that can cause reproductive damage and birth defects, and has been on the list of chemicals known to cause cancer since 1992. According to the Board of Equalization estimates, lead-acid car battery sales in California are approximately \$1.6 billion.

Assessment and cleanup of lead contamination from the thousands of properties surrounding Exide could result in the most extensive cleanup of its kind in California and will be among the largest cleanup ever conducted in the nation.

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Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

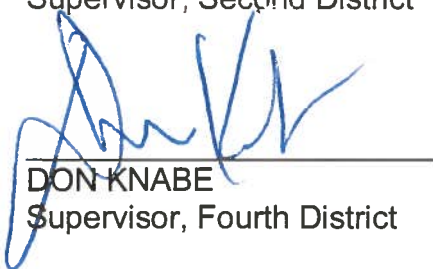
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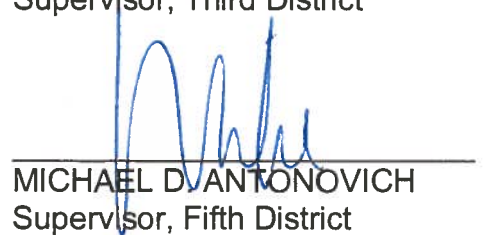
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The Honorable Bob Wieckowski, Chair
Senate Environmental Quality Committee
State Capitol, Room 3086
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chair Wieckowski:

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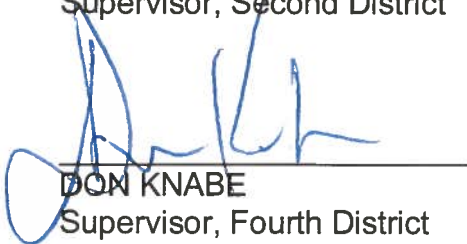
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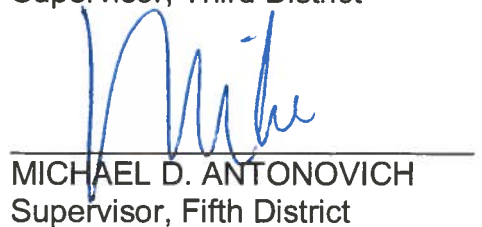
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The Honorable Hannah-Beth Jackson, Chair
Senate Judiciary Committee
State Capitol, Room 2032
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chair Jackson:

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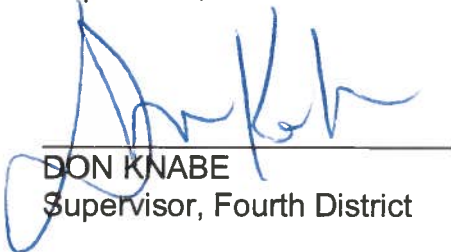
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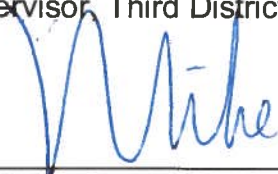
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